



MEDIA RELEASE

City of Santa Barbara to Conduct An Earthquake Exercise

SANTA BARBARA, CA – Wednesday January 25, 2012

On Thursday January 26, 2012 beginning at 7:45 a.m. the City of Santa Barbara will be holding Earthquake training for staff.

The Exercise is being conducted to prepare City staff to respond to earthquake-related impacts. The Exercise will also test the interoperability of the City's infrastructure, communication flow from field personnel to staff, and set up of the new Emergency Operations Center.

At the beginning of the exercise each Santa Barbara City Fire Station will receive a "tone out" from the Communication Center at the Police Department. Each engine company will then follow their Standard Operating Procedures for an earthquake, which include district survey to assess for damage and render aid as needed.

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